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Sir:

For:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No. 60/258,315; 60/278,640; 60/314,385 filed on August 24, 2001

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Enclosed are:

$/\!\boxtimes$	A specification consisting of sixty-eight (68) pages
	() sheet(s) of formal drawings
	Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
	Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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		Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)					
		Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee					
		Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)					
		Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:					
		This application claims priority on provisional Application No. 60/258,315; 60/278,640 and 60/314,385 filed on December 28, 2000; March 26, 2001; August 24, 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference					
		Other:					
		Provisional application filed in English: \square YES \square NO					
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